## STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

**TOPIC:** Draft of the Gifted Plan 2006-11 **ITEM NO**: 10T

**PREPARED BY:** Andrea Bengier, Ed.D. **MEETING:** June 20, 2006

Assistant Superintendent INFORMATION ONLY: June 20, 2006

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**ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT:** That the School Board receive for information only the attached draft of the Gifted Plan 2006-11 as required by the Virginia Department of Education.

**KEY POINTS:** The Virginia Department of Education requires each school division to prepare a five-year plan for gifted education in accordance with specific guidelines and proscribed goals and objectives. A template is provided. The process requires a first draft to be submitted to the Department of Education on or before June 30, 2006. DOE staff then arrange for the document to undergo a peer review by appointed coordinators and supervisors of gifted education from around the state. Suggestions for revision are then returned to the district. The plan is then resubmitted to the DOE for final approval. Sometime prior to January 2007, the approved plan will be returned to the district. At that time the plan will be submitted to the School Board for its approval.

The plan has been prepared and reviewed by all the gifted education resource teachers, as well as the Gifted and Talented Advisory Committee. It has also been shared with administrators for their review.

**SCHOOL BOARD GOAL:** Goal 1: Provide educational excellence through instruction that establishes high expectations for *all* students yet recognizes the unique needs of each learner.

**FUNDING SOURCE:** State and local guidelines

**AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE:** Regulations for Establishing Standards of Accreditation: VAC 20-131-70 Program of Instruction and Learning Objectives; SCPS Policies and Regulations: 6-26 Gifted and Talented Students